

BOARD OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

TOWN OF EASTHAM

Minutes of Meeting February 12, 2020

Present: Roger Thurston, Chairman
Sylvia Sullivan Clerk (Pro Temp)

Robert Carlson (guest)

The minutes of the January 8 2020 were accepted as read.

OLD BUSINESS

The Chair presented the 2019 annual report of the Commission to be included in the Town Report. Accepted by unanimous vote.

It was noted that the treea which the Commission voted to have placed at the rear of the Cove Cemetery have been planted by the DPW. Concern was expersessed that this might be the wrong time to make such a planting. The Chair will contact the DPW for an explanation and instruction for care of the trees during the winter months.

Further discussion of Barry Clifford's quest for evidence of the burial of pirate bodies lost in the Widdah sinking

NEW BUSINESS:

The chairman and clerk attended the meeting of the regional cemetery commissioners in Wellfleet in January. Representatives from most of the towns between Provincetown and Brewster were in attendance. Eastham was the only town whose cemeteries were closed to new burials. The general discussion included the following subjects, "green " burials, resident requirements, columbariums, perpetual care, funding, private/public partnership, public appointments. It was noted that the represetatives of one town were anxious to have a formal Cemmetery Department established.

The Chairman has determined that there is no interest in funding a budget for the Cemmetery Commission.

Next meeting of the Commission will be held in the small meeting room in lower town hall at 10 A.M. on Wed. March 11, 2020

Moved to adjourn

Meeting adjorned at 11:00 AM.

Sylvia Suulivan, Clerk (pro temp)